

## REMARKS

Claims 1 – 13 have been cancelled and new claims 14 – 20 have been added for consideration in the Preliminary Amendment filed on August 10, 2004. A complete listing of the claims showing the amendments made in the Preliminary Amendment are included herein.

Claims 14-20 added in the Preliminary Amendment filed on August 10, 2004 are all readable on the elected species III comprising Figure 18.

The Applicant respectfully requests prompt and favorable examination on the merits of this application. Based upon the foregoing amendments, it is respectfully submitted that the present application is in condition for allowance. Should the Examiner consider necessary or desirable any formal changes anywhere in the specification, claims and/or drawings, then it is respectfully asked that such changes be made by Examiner's amendment, if the Examiner feels this would facilitate passage of the case to issuance.

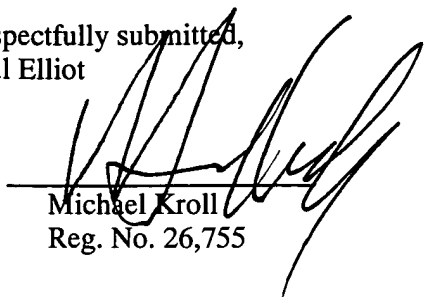
Alternatively, should the Examiner have any questions, comments, or feel that a personal discussion might be helpful in advancing this case to allowance and issuance, he is cordially invited to contact Mr. Michael Kroll, Esq. at 171 Stillwell Lane, Syosset, New York 11791, telephone number (516) 367-7777, so that the present application can receive an early notice of allowance. The address and telephone number for Michael I. Kroll stated above is as listed on the original Power of Attorney.

Please charge any fee due and not covered by an enclosed check to Deposit Account

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